

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. – 26. (Cancelled)

27. (New) A gaming device comprising:

a gaming terminal, configured for playing at least a first game;

a reader for receiving data from a data storage device carried by a game player;

a button for pressing by a game player as a part of said game;

a biometric device for measuring biometric data of the game player by sensing said biometric data directly through said button as it is pressed by the game player;

said terminal carrying a comparator for comparing the parameters of the game player's biometric data with parameters obtained from data received from said data storage device carried by the game player, for player identification.

28. (New) The gaming device of claim 27, in which said data storage device is a smart card, comprising a microprocessor.

29. (New) A gaming device of claim 27 in which said biometric data is the game player's fingerprint.

30. (New) A gaming method comprising:

providing a gaming terminal, configured for playing at least a first game;

receiving data from a data storage device carried by a game player;

pressing a button by a game player as part of the game;

measuring biometric data of the game player by sensing the biometric data directly through the button as it is pressed by the game player;

comparing the parameters of the game player's biometric data with parameters obtained from the data received from a data storage device carried by the game player, for player identification.

31. (New) The gaming method of claim 30, in which the data storage device is a smart card, comprising a microprocessor.

32. (New) The gaming method of claim 30, in which the biometric data is the game player's fingerprint.